अनुरोध किया गया था जिसमें ताप विद्युत केन्द्रों के विद्युत उत्पादन में वृद्धि करना, भार संबंधी प्रबन्ध को कार्यान्वित करना तथा ऊर्जा संरक्षण संबंधी उपाय करना शामिल हैं । राजस्थान की उत्तरी ग्रिड से जहां तक संभव हो सहायता करने के लिए भरसक प्रयास किए जा रहे हैं । राजस्थान को मध्य प्रदेश से भी जहां तक संभव है, सहायता की जा रही है ।

(ख) अक्तूबर, 1987 के महीने के दौरान 653 मिलियन यूनिट उपलब्ध थी, इसकी तुलना में आवश्यकता 736 मिलियन यूनिट थी । यह लगभग 11.3% की कमी का सूचक है ।

(ग) समय-2 पर राज्य में विद्युत की मांग और उपलब्धता की स्थिति को मद्दे नजर रखते हुए राज्य प्राधिकारियों द्वारा विभिन्न श्रेणी के उपभोक्ताओं के लिए विद्युत सप्लाई का निर्णय लिया जाता है । राजस्थान सहित राज्यों से अनुरोध किया गया है कि कृषि क्षेत्र को विद्युत सप्लाई करने के मामले में उच्च प्राथमिकता प्रदान करें । राजस्थान में अक्तूबर, 1987 के दौरान कृषि उपभोक्ताओं को प्रतिदिन लगभग 8 घंटे विद्युत सप्लाई की गई थी ।

Formulation based on Ascorbic Acid

906. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that formulations based on single ingredient Ascorbic Acid which are being marketed under different brand names were recommended by the Kelkar Committee for price decontrol;

(b) if so, whether is it also a fact that the Kelkar Committee followed certain criteria for exclusion of drugs and formulations from price control; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and which single ingredient brand products of Ascorbic Acid were recommended for exclusion from price control?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. MICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (c) Various recommendations made by the Kelkar Committee alongwith the criteria followed by them for identification of Category-II drugs are contained in the report of the Committee, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. The Committee had recommended price decontrol for all single ingredient vitamin formulations.

Production of Thiamine Hcl and Vitamin E

907. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to
slate:

(a) whether it is a fact that producers of Thiamine Hcl and Vitamin E are monopoly producers of these drugs;

(b) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry has excluded these drugs from price control despite recommendation for price control on them by the Expert Committee appointed for identification of drugs for price control;

(c) what are the names of producers of each drug along with their production during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) what was the turn-over of each drug during 1986; and

(e) what was the criterion/justification for the exclusion of these drugs from price control and whether that principle has
been applied in all cases ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (c) Thaimine Hcl which is exclusively reserved for I public sector, is being produced by M/s. j IDPL. Vitamin E is being produced by j three companies, among whom M/s. E. Merck accounts for over 75% production.